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SUBJECT: BERLIN FESTIVALS 1975

1. MINISTER HAS RECEIVED A PERSONAL LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR OF THE BERLINER FESTSPIELE GMBH (DR. ULRICH ECKHARDT) ASKING FOR OFFICIAL US PARTICIPATION IN THE BERLIN FILM AND CULTURAL FESTIVALS IN 1975, MARKING THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF BOTH EVENTS.

2. ECKHARDT IN HIS LETTER POINTS OUT THAT SINCE AMERICAN INITIATIVE AND HELP MADE THESE FESTIVALS POSSIBLE AT THE OUTSET, FESTIVAL AUTHORITIES CONSIDER IT OF UTMOST IMPORTANCE TO HAVE US SUPPORT IN THE EVENTS MARKING THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY. ONE SPECIFIC SUGGESTION CONCERNS A POSSIBLE GALA CONCERT BY AMERICAN ARTISTS DURING THE CULTURAL FESTIVAL (FALL, 1975) FOR THE BENEFIT OF UNICEF.

3. IN THIS CONNECTION DR. ECKHARDT INDICATED THAT THE BERLIN CULTURAL ESTABLISHMENT ALSO WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE AMERICAN BICENTENNIAL AND WOULD APPRECIATE BEING PUT IN TOUCH WITH THOSE PLANNING INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPATION AT THE BICENTENNIAL CULTURAL EVENTS.

4. COMMENT: GIVEN THE COINCIDENCE OF THESE EVENTS AND PARTICULARLY THE IMPORTANCE TO BERLIN OF HAVING LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CONSTRUCTIVE SUPPORT AT THIS TIME, THE MISSION WOULD

URGE THAT A SERIOUS EFFORT BE MADE TO BRING AN IMPRESSIVE AMERICAN EVENT TO BERLIN BOTH FOR THE FILM AND CULTURAL FESTIVALS IN 1975. A UNICEF BENEFIT MIGHT PRODUCE THE KIND OF PARTICIPATION THAT OTHERWISE MIGHT NOT BE POSSIBLE. MINISTER IS REPLYING TO DR.ECKHARDT'S LETTER INDICATING THAT LATTER'S REQUEST HAS BEEN TRANSMITTED TO WASHINGTON. MISSION HOPES THAT SOMETIME SOON IT WILL BE ABLE TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATE ENCOURAGING RESPONSE TO DR. ECKHARDT'S TWO PROPOSALS -- US PARTICIPATION IN THE 1975 BERLIN FESTIVALS AND BERLIN'S PARTICIPATION (POSSIBLY IN CONNECTION WITH FRG EFFORTS) IN THE US BICENTENNIAL.

5. DETAILS FOLLOW IN SEPARATE LETTER ADDRESSED TO SCOTT GEORGE EUR/CE AND REPEATED TO JAY GILDNER USIA.KLEIN

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